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## City of Cleveland Daily News Updates - #372

The City of Cleveland today announced the following updates:

#### City of Cleveland Statement on Increased Violence over the Past Weekend

The City of Cleveland saw a sharp increase in serious criminal activity over this past weekend. Though it is not uncommon for police calls for service to increase in the summer months, the last few days have been especially violent with 35 individuals shot, and 4 individuals stabbed, resulting in 3 homicides. Cleveland Division of Police Crime Analysis Unit statistics show that homicide cases are up 30%, and incidents of felonious assault shootings are up 56%. Cleveland police officers have confiscated over 1,400 guns so far in 2021, a 72% increase in firearms confiscations from this time last year.

#### **Enforcement Efforts**

The Division of Police continues to operate the Violent Crimes Reduction Task Force out of each of the five Neighborhood Police Districts, assisted by specialized units including the Gang Impact Unit and the Neighborhood Impact Community Engagement (NICE) Unit. The Division also continues to partner with outside law enforcement agencies at the local, state and federal levels in efforts to combat violent criminal activity and gun violence. Officers have and will continue to arrest those responsible for these crimes, confiscate firearms, and seize narcotics through various law enforcement operations, including the execution of search warrants and by conducting warrant sweeps for individuals who are actively wanted for the commission of crimes. Over the course of the weekend, one warrant sweep yielded arrests for 1 individual wanted for rape, 1 for Aggravated Robbery, and 5 Felonious Assault suspects. An arrest was also made in one of the weekend homicide cases.

#### What else can be done?

Although this uptick in criminal activity is seen across the United States, we must concentrate on what is happening here, in Cleveland, on our own streets. YOU can make a difference in the safety in your neighborhood by assisting law enforcement by providing tips. Citizens are strongly encouraged to contact police to report <u>all</u> criminal or suspicious activity. Anonymous information can be provided by calling Crimestoppers of Cuyahoga, Inc. at 216-25-CRIME. Call <u>216-621-1234</u> for non-emergency and <u>always</u> call 9-1-1 in an emergency.

City of Cleveland and United States Attorney's Office Seek Community Police Commission Applications The City of Cleveland and the United States Attorney's Office for the Northern District of Ohio are seeking qualified applicants to fill remaining terms for two vacancies on the Cleveland Community Police Commission (CPC). Applications received may also be considered for other CPC vacancies that occur in 2021. The appointment period to fill the two current vacancies is through Sept. 2023. Starting June 7, candidates may complete an application on the <u>City of Cleveland website</u> or obtain paper copies at City Hall entrances and Cleveland Public Library. Applications are due July 7 at 5 p.m.

The CPC is a 13-person body created as part of the Consent Decree between the City and the Justice Department in 2015. The purpose is to foster improved police and community relationships and provide community input on the agreed reforms. The CPC consists of 10 civilian representatives and one representative from each of the three police union organizations: the Cleveland Police Patrolmen's Association, the Fraternal Order of Police and the Black Shield. The two current vacancies are for the civilian representative positions.

The 10 appointed civilian members include representatives of faith-based organizations, civil rights advocates, business/philanthropic groups, organizations representing communities of color, advocacy organizations, youth or student organizations, academia, and individuals with expertise in the challenges facing people with mental illness or the homeless.

Commission members are picked by an independent selection panel appointed by Mayor Frank G. Jackson in accordance with the consent decree. The panel reviews all applications and recommends new CPC members. Members are then appointed to the commission by the mayor to fill out the appointment term. CPC members are not compensated and serve in a volunteer capacity. Applicants must live or work in the City of Cleveland.

For information on the CPC's work during the Consent Decree period, visit <a href="http://www.clecpc.org/">http://www.clecpc.org/</a>.

# Registration Now Open for Neighborhood Resource & Recreation Center (NRRC) Summer 2021 Programs

Registration is now open for the City of Cleveland Neighborhood Resource and Recreation Center (NRRC) Summer 2021 programs. In an effort to offer high-quality, interactive programming during the COVID-19 pandemic, the City of Cleveland's Mayor's Office of Prevention, Intervention and Opportunity for Youth and Young Adults (PIOYYA) and the Division of Recreation will continue to offer virtual and limited in-person activities in our NRRCs. All programs and activities center around six areas: Youth and Adult Education; Job and Career Readiness; Health and Wellness; Youth Leadership Development, Mentorship and Community Service; the Arts; and Sports and Recreation. In addition, each NRRC will continue to offer traditional daily programs and activities.

<u>Click here to view the Summer 2021 Program Guide</u>. Registration is available now in person or online at <u>www.clevelandohio.gov/NRRCactivities</u>.

#### Cleveland Hopkins International Airport Passenger Travel Data

Cleveland Hopkins International Airport (CLE), like other airports worldwide, has had a dramatic drop in air service and travelers due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Concerns over health and safety, as well as quarantines, coupled with many businesses cancelling travel and leisure travelers staying home, have impacted flights.

We are currently averaging 11,246 passengers for the week of May 30 to June 5, compared with the 314 passengers we reported in April 2020. <u>Click here to view regularly updated numbers on airport travel on the Hopkins website.</u>

#### City Announces Neighborhood Street Improvements for Ward 14

During the week of June 21, 2021, the City of Cleveland's Residential Resurfacing Program will begin in Ward 14. Advance notice signs will be posted to advise the public of road improvements. The following streets will be resurfaced and completed by the end of July, 2021.

Street Prefix	Project Name	FROM:	то:	Project Total Estimated Cost
	Erin	West 32nd	West 25th	\$142,272.00
W	$56 \mathrm{th}$	Storer	Koch	\$69,495.67
W	31st	Sackett	Trowbridge	\$62,706.76
W	32nd	Meyers	Clark	\$184,067.36
	Bush	Fulton	W. 39th PL	\$68,644.89
			Total	\$527,186.67

One lane of traffic will be maintained for local traffic for the duration of each project and no detours are expected. Access to all businesses, residences and side streets will be maintained during construction. On-street parking will not be allowed during construction.

#### 2021 Road Resurfacing Project Description:

- This work represents an investment of \$12 million in the City's Residential Roadways.
- With the completion of the Pavement Management Study in 2017 and the continued evaluation of the City's roadway network, the City has a grading system that allows streets in the greatest need of resurfacing to be selected for repair. The City is using the 'worst first' approaches for road resurfacing.

Questions? Contact the City's Administrative Manager, Cherita Anglen at (216) 420-7605.

\*Editor's Note: Road construction invariably presents hazards to the public. All travelers are urged to use caution in construction zones. Public safety and the safety of workers is a top priority.

Hessler Road - Brick Restoration Project Traffic Advisory in Ward 6 During the week of Monday, June 14, 2021, weather permitting, the City will begin brick restoration on Hessler Road from Ford Road to Hessler Court. A portion of the street will be closed and one lane of traffic will be maintained in each direction. A complete closure is not expected to occur. No on-street parking will be permitted for the duration of the project.

The project will remove the various sunken bricks within the street and bring the areas back up to the proper elevation. The work will take place during the hours of 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. The brick restoration project is expected to complete by the end of July 2021.

Questions? Contact the City of Cleveland's Construction Inspector, Eric Faehner at (216)857-3028.

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#### Hamilton Avenue Concrete Island Repair Project Traffic Advisory in Ward 10

During the week of June 28, 2021, weather permitting, the City will begin concrete repairs on the island where Hamilton Avenue intersects Marquette Street and East 54<sup>th</sup> Street. A portion of the street will be closed and one lane of traffic will be maintained in each direction. A complete closure is not expected to occur. No on-street parking will be permitted for the duration of the project in the affected areas and no parking signs will be posted.

The project includes replacing the concrete island and curb along with pavement repairs. The work will take place during the hours of 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. The concrete repair project is expected to complete by the end of August 2021.

Questions? Contact the City of Cleveland's Construction Inspector, James Miller at (216)857-1635.

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South Meadow Lane Concrete Repair Project Traffic Advisory for Ward 12 During the week of June 14, 2021, weather permitting, the City will begin concrete repairs on South Meadow Lane from Ferman Avenue to end. A portion of the street will be closed and one lane of traffic will be maintained in each direction. A complete closure is not expected to occur. No on-street parking will be permitted for the duration of the project in the affected areas and no parking signs will be posted.

The project includes repairing broken concrete pavement and adjusting sunken or damaged utility castings. The work will take place during the hours of 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. The concrete repair project is expected to complete by the end of August 2021.

Questions? Contact the City of Cleveland's Construction Inspector, Eric Faehner at (216) 857-3028.

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### **Other Important Reminders**

#### Parking Restrictions Announced During Home Baseball Games

As Progressive Field has announced that fan capacity will return to normal levels, the Cleveland Division of Police has instituted a parking ban in the area of Rocket Mortgage Field House and Progressive Field which will be in effect during home baseball games. Motorists are encouraged to check meters and signage prior to parking for games or events.

The parking ban extends from:

- Prospect Avenue at Ontario Street to E. 9th Street
- West Huron from Ontario Street to Prospect Avenue
- E. 4th Street from Prospect Avenue to West Huron

- High from E. 2<sup>nd</sup> to E. 4<sup>th</sup> Street
- E. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street from High to Prospect
- E. 9th Street Euclid Avenue to Bolivar Avenue
- Bolivar Avenue from E. 9th Street to E 6th Street

To view a map of the no-parking zones, click here.

#### City of Cleveland Announces Participation in Nationwide "Month of Action"

Mayor Frank G. Jackson today announced that the City of Cleveland will be participating in the United States Conference of Mayor's "Month of Action" Vaccine Challenge. The U.S. Conference of Mayors is launching its month-long challenge to get Americans vaccinated on June 4, with a goal of having 70% of Americans vaccinated by the 4<sup>th</sup> of July.

This effort is led by the United States Conference of Mayors in conjunction with President Joe Biden, the White House, and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. Though more than 290 million shots have been administered in cities nationwide since December 2020, only 49% percent of adults have received one shot or been fully vaccinated.

To view the full press release from the U.S. Conference of Mayors, click here.

For more information on the "Mayors Challenge" including a list of participating mayors, see <a href="here">here</a>. To learn more about the COVID-19 vaccine, head to <a href="yearcines.gov">yaccines.gov</a> or call the National COVID-19 Vaccination Assistance Hotline at 1-800-232-0233.

#### City of Cleveland Encourages Residents to Practice COVID-19 Safety Measures

Mayor Frank G. Jackson lifted the city's Proclamation of Civil Emergency upon its expiration May 31. In light of this, Mayor Jackson and the City of Cleveland strongly recommend and encourage residents to continue adhering to health guidelines:

 Get vaccinated. The Cleveland Department of Public Health (CDPH) offers vaccination clinics each week at various locations. To schedule an appointment or get information on CDPH vaccination events or other local vaccine providers, call the City of Cleveland's COVID-19 Vaccine Call Center at (216) 664-2222

If you have not been vaccinated, continue to follow CDC guidelines:

- Continue to wear a mask that covers your nose and mouth in public settings and anywhere you will be around other people who do not reside in your household.
- Stay 6 feet apart from others who do not reside in your household.
- Avoid crowds.
- Avoid indoor areas that are poorly ventilated.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water. Use hand sanitizer if soap and water are not available.

# City of Cleveland Establishes Call Center to Answer General Vaccine Distribution Questions

The City of Cleveland has established a call center that is currently available to answer general questions pertaining to the City's vaccine distribution efforts and assist eligible individuals in scheduling an appointment to receive the vaccine.

- Call Center Number: (216) 664-2222
- Hours of Operation: Monday-Friday; 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

As a reminder, only individuals who meet the Ohio Department of Health's criteria are eligible to receive the vaccine at this time. Due to limited supply, it will take time for eligible individuals to receive the vaccine. We ask for your patience. As we receive additional supply, we will be opening up additional vaccination sites and scheduling appointments for eligible individuals to receive the vaccine.

#### **Upcoming Cleveland Transformation Alliance Meetings**

The Cleveland Transformation Alliance Committee (CTA) is currently hosting public meetings via Zoom or Microsoft Teams. For more information on these meetings, please visit <a href="http://www.myCLEschool.org">http://www.myCLEschool.org</a>. See details for upcoming meetings below:

#### Cleveland Transformation Alliance Board Meeting

June 14 at 5:30 p.m. via Zoom

https://zoom.us/j/98910223903?pwd=cEk2SjI5YllabGJPSEYyS2xESEVUUT09

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#### CodeRED

Sign up for CodeRED alerts to receive calls and emails with important info regarding the coronavirus. To sign up online, visit <a href="https://bit.ly/CLECodeRED">https://bit.ly/CLECodeRED</a>. Get mobile alerts by downloading the CodeRED app via the Apple or Google Play stores. Seniors who need assistance signing up are welcome to call the Department of Aging at (216) 664-4383 for periodic phone call messaging.

#### Previous COVID-19 Updates from the City of Cleveland

Click here to view previous updates.

#### For more information about COVID-19, visit the following:

- www.cdc.gov/coronavirus
- https://coronavirus.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/covid-19/
- http://www.clevelandhealth.org/

#### About the City of Cleveland

The City of Cleveland is committed to improving the quality of life for its residents by strengthening neighborhoods, delivering superior services, embracing diversity and making Cleveland a desirable, safe city in which to live, work, play, and do business. For more information on the City of Cleveland, visit\_www.clevelandohio.gov, or follow @CityofCleveland on Twitter, Facebook, Instagram and LinkedIn.